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## Derry School District Move Lowers Operating Budget for March Voting

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NUTFIELD NEWS

A much larger crowd of residents than usual attended the this year's Derry Cooperative School District's Deliberative Session held at West Running Brook Middle School on Saturday morning, Feb. 9.

With a lot of attention focused on the school district budget over the past several months that involved surveys and considerations for school closings, the Deliberative Session had a relatively good turnout. The session was also streaming online for additional residents to view from home.

The second session of the Annual Meeting in March is for voting for all warrant articles that were

moved to the voting process from the deliberative as well as for the election of School District Officers. Voting will be conducted by official ballot on March 12. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. - 8 p.m. Districts 1 and 4 will vote at the Gilbert H. Hood Middle School and Districts 2 and 3 will vote at the West Runningbrook Middle School.

The First Session Deliberative meeting was completed in about 60 minutes with an outcome that all Warrant Articles including the Operating Budget can now be put to ballot as per session approvals.

The 2019-2020 operating budget of \$86,855,459 that was initially offered was amended and adjusted slightly downward by \$10,000 as a line item was

actually decreased.

Should this article be defeated, the 2019-2020 operating budget shall actually become a higher budget of \$87,231,862, which is the same as last year with certain adjustments as required by previous action of the school district and by state law.

The amended 2019-2020 operating budget of \$86,845,459 addresses staffing needs, classroom sizes, technology updates, student services and key programs.

School Board Chairman Lynn Perkins pointed out that the budget is set to maintain the district's mission to provide the best education possible for the projected 3,200 students in grades kindergarten through

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## Planning Board Makes Moves Forward on Zoning Changes

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The Derry Planning Board had a full quorum of members at their Feb. 6 Board Meeting and Lori Davison, Planning Board member communicated the correspondence about several amendments for considerations by the board.

She outlined an amendment regarding district provisions with a purpose to further clarify the list of permanent uses in a specific zone. For example, medical office use was a permanent use under the definition of permanent office created in 2013, and there is need for this type of usage to be clarified in context of current zoning

plans.

Another amendment derived from Town correspondence is to allow electric charging stations for electric cars in all zones of the Town. The planning board moved this amendment to a workshop and for public hearings that will be scheduled at a later date.

In other agenda business, a public hearing for proposed changes to the Town of Derry Zoning Ordinance Section 165-30 was put forward. George Soras, Planning Director, pointed out that there had been already been a workshop for this.

At the workshop, it was recommended to take certain parcels such as on 19 Elm St. and Maple Street

and allow them to move to the Medium High Density Residential (MHDR) District. This allows the town to sell the property at market rates or redevelop the property, which the town now owns; this is the parcel where the old shoe factory used to exist.

And a second recommendation from previous workshops is to properly address parcels of the MHDR, including 8 Elm St., 42 Hillside, 44 Hillside, 17.5 beacon and 54.5 hillside where there is a map mistake. This mistake can be fixed by cleaning up the map markings thus putting them back in the correct zoning as certain parcels were not be color-coded

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Members of the Pinkerton Academy Ice Hockey Team enjoy a game of Three-on-Three at Hood Pond on Sunday afternoon during the town's annual Frost Festival celebration. See more photos pages 5 and 8. *Photo by Chris Paul*

## Despite the Lack of Snow Frost Festival Continues

CHRIS PAUL  
NUTFIELD NEWS

For a second consecutive year, warmer than usual temperatures and a lack of snow hampered this year's annual Frost Festival. The unfavorable conditions cancelled several activities, but all the indoor activities as well as skating on Hood Pond went off without a hitch.

On Friday, Feb. 8, three ice sculptures made their way to the entrance of the Adams Memorial Opera House

thanks to the folks at Ice Breakers. They delivered the movie-theme-based sculptures during the afternoon for moviegoers to see as they went to the presentation of "Big" that evening.

There was a Spaghetti Supper by the Derry Village Rotary Club at the Pinkerton Academy Senior Cafeteria. Donations welcome and suggested.

On Saturday, Feb. 9, starting at 11 a.m. a puppet show was performed by two folks from the Derry Public

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# Conservation and Go Green Invite Residents to Conservation Areas

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The Derry Conservation Commission met on February 11, 2019 with quite a few initiatives on their agenda, and with a key discussion about the Go Green team's updated role and an effort to formalize Derry's Land Steward Role.

Margaret Ives, Commission Member prepared a list of current contacts to engage conservation commission members in a discussion about the support for the many conservation sites in Derry. She had taken on a project to update the conservation area list of those Commission Members and Land Stewards involved supporting specific conservation areas. And at this time, the Conservation Commission is looking for additional volunteers to become Land Stewards for some of the Derry area's most beautiful conservation properties.

Ives was developing a list of Commission Members and Land Stewards who currently walk conser-

vation areas and support the Town's conservation properties; she was also contacting certain other Town folks with the idea of finding the right Land Steward volunteers to fill in gaps of missing overseers for certain sites.

Ives noted that the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) conducts a Land Steward program and DES is also requesting information from Derry Conservation Commission relating to all of the area's different conservation sites. Ideally the Derry Conservation Commission would benefit from regular status updates from land stewards about the many town properties that are under conservation support.

The Town owns many wonderful conservation properties including the Town Forest on Ballard Olsen Road, the Coal Marsh/Joshua Morse property, the Weber Town Forest, the Broadview farm which was formerly known as the Young Road property, the Gulf Road property, Corneliusen farm

property, Shepard family conservation area, the Quail Hill conservation area and the Albert W. Doolittle conservation area.

There are additional properties that the Conservation Commission helps support including Town Easement Protected Properties such as Rowenfair farm, Bliss farm, and Grinnell farm. The town also helps to oversee Protective Properties including Robert Frost Farm, and the Ballard State Forest. In addition, the conservation commission works with certain residents to ensure proper conservation efforts are supported for key private properties in Derry.

James Degnan, Chairman of the Conservation Commission pointed out that there had been a meeting right before the night's commission meeting to discuss the changing role of the Go Green team that is now being aligned closer with Town's Conservation Commission efforts.

Degnan reported that members of the Go Green team were likely to continue focus on Derry's Land Steward efforts; he also

overviewed his thoughts of the role for volunteers who may be suited for Derry Land Stewards program.

Degnan pointed out that there have been efforts in the past to recruit additional Land Steward volunteers at key town events and that this should likely continue. He suggested it would be good to receive written reports from Land Stewards on a monthly basis. In other words, the Derry program may be best served to have continuous dialogue with Stewards about the conservation activities they are working as well is challenges they face.

Degnan suggested it is important to define the Land Steward's role in Derry, as well as the specific responsibilities for support and communications that is needed between the volunteers and the conservation commission. In addition, he advocated it would be beneficial for Land Stewards to come to commission meetings to have live discussions with commission members and the public.

Degnan recommended to leverage the list and

contact work that Ives had started and the commission will want to formalize the list, perhaps in a spreadsheet format with topical information linked to appropriate individuals.

The list would include both Land Stewards and Commission Members who would be linked to certain conservation properties and activities. He advises for there to be a long-term goal, so with Go Green's role changing a bit, the Land Stewards could be an important part of the overall team efforts as Go Green might champion this focus as a key part of their mission.

Degnan said, "It would be best if a Derry Land Steward agrees that they're going to come to a meeting at least once a year as well as provide a monthly correspondence about the status of a conservation property. What we want is that folks (in the Derry program) that are super engaged."

Ives pointed out that NH Hampshire has a formal Land Steward program that includes a NH role description. Here are some of the recommendations from the State of NH for Land Steward qualifications: Stewards should live within 20 miles of an "available" area and be willing to make a 2-3 year commitment to monitor a property annually. Volun-

teers should be mentally and physically able to perform stewardship responsibilities and have a strong interest in forest/land conservation and management.

Typical responsibilities for a Land Steward include: The Land Steward should monitor the adopted property thoroughly and help to manage recreational and educational uses of the land.

Stewards should assist the Towns or the State with stewardship projects on the property. They should help maintain gates, signs, kiosks and other property infrastructure and help perform basic trail maintenance and wildlife habitat improvement, where appropriate. Where appropriate, they should help to remove trash and debris from the property.

A key responsibility for a Land Steward is to walk property boundaries to identify encroachments and/or maintenance needs while acting as liaison with local officials, schools, neighbors, conservation organizations, and other Forest Society members.

For this effort of community service, Land Stewards earn tremendous respect from the community and can help insure that the beauty of N.H. and Derry's conservation areas remain a legacy of magnificence.

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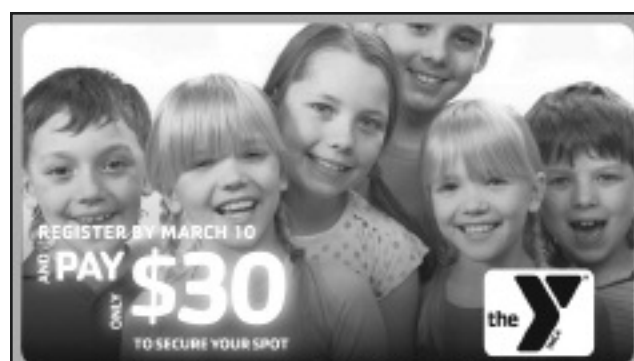
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## Planning Board

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correctly on official zoning maps.

Planning Board member, John O'Connor moved to schedule a public hearing for Feb. 20 to amend article 5 zoning map and district boundaries to move five parcels from the central business district district to the Medium High Density Residential district and six properties from the medium high density residential district to the Medium High Density II Residential district. The planning board unanimously approved this move, so notices for a public hearing will be made for the February 20th meeting.

The next order of business was for a public hearing. The first hearing involved Peter and Amy Simon of 54 N. Shore Rd. as well as Manuel and Heather Gendron of 2 Lake

Avenue for an acceptance/review of a lot line adjustment to enable reconstruction of property in the Beaver Lake area. The redevelopment of a single family apartment will require a waiver and all town departments have currently approved the plan. This lot line adjustment had previously been presented to the Zoning Board and explained by surveyor Tim Peloquin, who was also at the Planning Board meeting to help the owners present their plan.

The Planning Board wanted to ensure there was consideration for all aspects of the project and determined that the project plan was complete as per previous approvals and as explained by Peloquin. A public hearing was motioned and completed with no additional voices either for or against the

plan. The board understood that the plan made sense from a practical standpoint and began the process to grant waivers for the plan to proceed.

Final discussions with the board were conducted with owner, Manuel Gendron to determine how water and sewer would be supplied to the garage renovation that will develop into the apartment. The owner plans to utilize a shared well for water and add plumbing to the new construction that looks to be feasible. There is a proper sewer system on the property that the owner will be able to connect to the project within Town regulations. The planning board noted there will be specific trench dig requirements to connect the sewer within regulation. The board unanimously voted to approve the waiver with conditional approval for the owner to begin the next phase of the project, subject to legal signatures, proper inspections, and such things as proper escrow as well as construction regulations.

The Planning Board intended to conduct another public hearing with regard to a request from High Meadows, LLC of 46 High Street for an acceptance review of a three lot subdivision. However, the

requester asked to delay this hearing for a month. The Board put this public hearing on their meeting agenda for March 6.

There was an issue for this delayed hearing in that abutters were present for a meeting that is now delayed requiring additional logistics. Those present were notified of the change to March 6 and told they could also provide information in writing or email to contacts of the planning board.

The Board then moved

on to workshops. Workshop one discussed proposed amendments to the Section 165 – 33, Central Business District and Section 165 – 49, Traditional Business Overlay District, about specifically removing the second-floor residential restriction. Utilizing the workshop format, the planning board had detailed discussion about this change that was also based on previous Town process considerations.

The next workshop was for the planning board to

review the permitted uses in the office business district, review the definitions of those uses and to discuss an expansion of that zone. This workshop provided much discussion that will continue at future meetings and likely at public hearings.

The final workshop was conducted to discuss the West running Brook Village District; additional detail was outlined and discussed for this initiative that will include future public hearings.



**Frost Royalty Crowned** The annual crowning of the Frost Festival King and Queen on Sunday, Feb. 10, officially capped off a weekend of winter activities during the town-wide event. Late Sunday afternoon, at Alexander Carr Park, the names of the winners were selected by a random drawing from the names submitted throughout the afternoon. The King crowned was David Leavitt, along with Queen, Rosa Chinosi. Prince and Princess were Ethan Leavitt and Lailah Sims. Duke and Duchess were Jaxson McPherson and Chanelle D'Anna.

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# Editorial

## Presidents Day Reminds us of Our Democracy

From a young age, many Americans begin to associate Presidents Day as nothing more than the third day of a long weekend, since schools are often closed to observe the holiday.

Though its significance is taught in said schools, it seems that so many still don't fully comprehend what Presidents Day really stands for, and companies that an excuse to move excess inventory don't help in this regard.

Two of the United States' greatest national leaders were born in the month of February, and a big part of the national holiday is to celebrate these two figures.

The main focus of Presidents Day is on the lives of past United States president George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. These men have served as examples for future generations for hundreds of years, and their actions and messages must be preserved and followed to keep our nation strong.

These two presidents in particular are celebrated together every February not just for their dates of birth, but for their demonstration of strength during turbulent times in our nation's history.

George Washington was a model for "Integrity, self-discipline, courage, absolute honesty, resolve, and decision, but also forbearance, decency, and respect for others." Not everyone agreed with Washington's viewpoints and qualities, but many honored, respected and trusted him nonetheless.

Furthermore, Washington had no need to tell his fellow new Americans how strong and capable of a leader he was - his actions spoke of that for him.

Abraham Lincoln was born into a poor family, but he fought and persevered until he became President of the United States. He received little formal teaching, and instead educated himself into a command of the English language, developing a way with words that would humble speechwriters of today.

During a time when a large national party had intentions to reject the Irish Catholics and Germans pouring into the country, Lincoln voiced praise for immigrants. When Southern leaders threatened secession, he stood firm against the expansion of slavery.

With all of this to consider, it's a pity what the holiday in honor of these great men has been reduced to. This isn't to say that there is anything wrong with enjoying oneself on a national holiday, but we at Nutfield Publishing believe that Presidents Day deserves recognition for keeping the virtues of two great leaders alive, and for reminding us that we should be grateful to have been born and live in a nation that allows us to have a say in who leads us and that allows us to have a voice.

So the next time you see or hear a Presidents Day advertisement for your local car dealership, keep in mind that the day means so much more than discounts and not needing to set the alarm.



## Frost Fest

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Library's with children getting to try their hands at being puppet masters after the show.

During intermission, children played a game of Twister that was sponsored by the Upper Room.

At noon, Derek Small made his return with Wildlife Encounters. He brought a number of animals that have not been seen in previous years including a New England

fox, a large lizard, a scorpion, and an armadillo, among others.

There were lots of Kids Games at Midguard Comics, in Hood Commons with free children's games, balloon artist Joe Tombarello and Silly Solutions, face painting, and crafts sponsored by Macaroni Kids.

On Sunday, Feb. 10, there was an Open Hockey & Skating session at Hood Pond. The Pinkerton Academy boys and girls hockey teams filled the pond, and

though some areas of the ice were fairly bumpy, lots of fun was had by those who made their way there.

Finally, at Alexander-Carr Park, Joe Tombarello and Silly Solutions were once again creating fantastic balloon sculptures for children and face painting those who wished.

The Frost Festival King and Queen were also crowned as well as a prince, princess, a Dukes and Duchess. See page 3.

See more photos on pages 5 and 8.

## Derry Recreation Holds Second Annual Job Fair

Teens looking extra money and for something fun to do over the summer need to look no further than Derry's Parks and Pond to fill those needs.

The Derry Park and Recreation Department will be holding their second annual February Vacation Job Fair on Monday, Feb. 25 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Veterans Hall, 31 West Broadway in Derry.

Residents will get a chance to meet the team, apply and interview on the

spot for openings available over the summer at a number of locations around town.

The department is looking to hire Concession Attendants, Lifeguards, Assistant Supervisors, Interns and more.

They are also looking for individuals with experience in paddle boarding, Parks Maintenance, kayaking, youth sports and programming, and fitness certifications.

Applicants will also

learn how and where they can acquire Life-guard certifications, Water Safety Instructor certifications, and CPR/First Aid certifications.

Also over the February break:

- Snowshoe Clinic
- Snowshoe Rentals for the whole family
- Ice Safety Education Classes
- Winter Outdoor Skills

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"If you climbed into your car in Manchester, New Hampshire, and drove to Sacramento, California-and back-you'd cover a little more than 6,000 miles."

This introduction, posted on visitnh.gov, highlights the abundance of snowmobiling trails New Hampshire has to offer avid and novice snowmobilers alike. The site then goes on to boast that the state has enough trails to cover the aforementioned long-distance trip and then some-over 7,000 total miles, to be exact.

Snowmobiling is a popular winter pastime in New Hampshire. While it is a fun way to explore the state and shake the winter blues, there

are a fair amount of regulations and guidelines to ensure safety for everyone involved and for the maintenance of snowmobiling trails.

In the state of New Hampshire, a snowmobile must be registered prior to being operated anywhere other than an owner's own property, according to the website for New Hampshire State Parks. Registration can be obtained in person at any authorized registration agents throughout the state, at the New Hampshire Fish and Game Headquarters, or by calling the NH Fish and Game Department at (603) 271-4300.

Fees for registering a snowmobile vary based on how many are being registered, residency status, and whether or not a registrant is a member of a snowmobile

club. A comprehensive list of snowmobile clubs is available on the NH State Parks website.

These registration fees are divided between the NH Fish and Game Department and the NH Department of Resources and Economic Development, Division of Parks and Recreation's Bureau of Trails, says NH State Parks. Additionally, one dollar from each registration goes into the Fish and Game Search and Rescue Fund, three dollars goes to the registration agent, and two dollars goes to the vendor of the electronic registration system.

According to nhstateparks.org, about 70 percent of New Hampshire land is privately owned, ergo the majority of trails fall on pri-

vate land. These private land trails are maintained by local snowmobile clubs, which are responsible for obtaining landowner permission to have them open to riders, as well as maintaining the trails based on the landowners' wishes.

Snowmobilers are advised to respect the wishes of any private trail landowners' wishes and their land. "NO RESPECT = NO TRAILS," says NH State Parks.

In addition to registering a snowmobile and adhering to trail etiquette, it is strongly recommended that potential snowmobilers take a certified snowmobile safety course. This will help riders learn how to operate their snowmobile safely and what to do in the event of emergencies.

State law requires that all

operators 12 years of age and over must possess either a valid driver's license or must have successfully completed an approved OHRV or Snowmobile Safety Education Class when operating off of their own property.

The official online NH OHRV/Snowmobile Rider education course is available on the NH Fish and Game website.

NH State Parks advises riders to familiarize themselves with snowmobile trail signage to keep from getting lost in the trails, avoid possible crash hazards such as gates and bridges, etc. A copy of snowmobile trail signs is available on the NH State Parks website.

The State of New Hampshire OHRV and Snowmobile Digest of Regulations

advises riders to be cautious when riding across ice. Though all ice could potentially be dangerous, the Army Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory in Hanover, NH states that there should be a minimum of six inches of hard ice before foot travel, and eight to ten inches of hard ice for snowmobile or ATV travel.

It also states that riders should be aware that ice can be weakened by objects that have been frozen into it, such as docks, fallen trees, and large rocks, as they will retain heat from the sun. The digest also cautions riders to avoid areas with springs or moving water underneath the ice.

For more information on snowmobile safety and guidelines, visit nhstateparks.org, or wildlife.state.nh.us.

## School Deliberative

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eight next year.

School Board Chairman Lynn Perkins provided a school district status and mission presentation for Derry residents pointing out, "The district has faced challenges to do what's right for the district's students, while also keeping the taxpayers in mind while planning budgets, and being fiscally responsible; I believe this operating budget strikes a good balance to those expressions and takes us on

a path to better student achievement."

The new budget includes staff reductions including one less teacher role at East Derry Memorial Elementary, two less teaching jobs at Ernest P. Barka Elementary, one teaching position removed at South Range Elementary and a teaching job removed at Grinnell Elementary.

The operating budget does include additional staffing to support certain district educational initiatives with additions of several read-

ing assistants at both Gilbert H. Hood and West Running Brook middle schools as well as additions of in-school support positions - one each for both middle schools.

The district has reallocated budget funds for a transportation cost increase, due to bus rates going up \$221,419 and also for the addition of two district special education buses.

The district will see a significant loss of almost one-half million dollars in state adequate education aid. Perkins overviewed that the district is hopeful about future changes to this loss of aid; N.H. state legislators are well aware of this problem and there is reason to be optimistic that the legislature will ultimately "stop the bleed" in state districts now losing such important resource money.

The District is in a cycle to phase down usage out-of-

date computers and replace them with more cost-effective "cloud-based" computers such as Chromebooks. Perkins pointed out that the district expects to be able to maintain most of the current inventory of older Macbooks for at least another year. So, the budget includes money to enhance performance and the future of district's computer technology with \$164,000 earmarked primarily for Chromebooks.

Pinkerton Academy comprises nearly one-third of the total Derry district budget and 1,660 students from Derry are expected to attend the high school next year. The proposed tuition rate per student for regular education is now budgeted at \$12,778.

At the deliberative, there was discussion about two articles dealing with collective bargaining agreements reached between the School Board and Derry Education

Association (teachers association), and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, Council 93, Local 1801 - supporting the district's educational assistant staff. Those articles and 2 related articles were agreed upon for a move to the ballot by the vast majority of deliberative voters.

Superintendent MaryAnn Connors-Krikorian overviewed the district's goals that embrace strategic planning initiatives, building strong leadership teams, and the plan to continually improve student achievement through quality education efforts and programs. Connors-Krikorian said she is proud of the work the district has accomplished and called out the West Running Brook Middle School students, who performed the national anthem, as an example of a defining purpose for our work.

Connors-Krikorian emphasized, "Positive is the way to go; we are passionate, we are committed, we have a sense of urgency, and we are one. We ask you to believe in us, we work hard every day, though we need your help." She also gave thanks to all those involved in the districts efforts and called out the strong district partnerships with organizations that focus on student support and community services.

Election Day is Tuesday, March 12 and in addition to the articles discussed at the deliberative, voters will also choose three School Board members, each one for a three-year term. Lynn Perkins, Brenda Willis and Derick Anderson are the incumbent board members seeking another three-year term. Others on the ballot include Tom Cardon, Anne Copp, Matt Leavitt, and Nicholas del'Etoile.

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# Twenty-three Pinkerton Students Recognized with Art Awards

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NUTFIELD NEWS

Pinkerton Academy's Interim Fine Arts Department Head, Michael Adams announced that twenty-three students from the Visual Arts Department have garnered prominent awards of excellence for creating artworks as part of the Scholastic Art Awards of New Hampshire (SAANH) program.

SAANH is NH's visual arts affiliate of the prestigious national Scholastic Art & Writing Awards program initiative. Last September, SAANH contacted New Hampshire's Art Educators for grades 7-12, to submit their outstanding student artwork by Dec. 20, 2018.

The Scholastic Art Awards program has offered millions of students since 1923, the opportunity to display their art works for regional and national recognition. The objective of these art awards is to raise confidence for young artists and to invite students to expand their perspective with opportunities to receive national recognition. The Scholastic Art and Writing Awards are the largest and longest running



Olivia Perog got a Gold key Award for Ceramic and Glass — Tea in the Garden.

programs of their kind in the country.

Adams points out that, "Pinkerton Academy administration and faculty recognize that positive recognition can inspire a student to pursue a lifetime of creative expression and communications, so it is critical to deliver praise to each generation of creative thinkers and encouragement for their artistic development. Artistic skills are best nurtured in an environment in which creativity is valued, like it is at Pinkerton Academy, and events like the Scholastic Arts Awards serve also to recog-

nize and reward educators for their classroom efforts to encourage creativity, and to cultivate the artistic vision of their students."

Students could register with the program to enter work in 17 individual categories that range from Drawing and Painting, to Sculpture and Mixed Media. High school Seniors could also submit 8 portfolio pieces to compete for cash and scholarships. Over recent year events, young artists have been granted more than \$1 million in scholarships and prizes each year through the program.

Artwork submitted had

to achieve high standards for recognition transcending classroom assignments, and meeting all judging criteria including creative/ originality, technical skill, and personal vision. The artwork must not have infringed upon any copyright or have plagiarism issues.

Pinkerton artists competed with hundreds of talented artists spending hours on their artwork and after many months of hard work, creative focus and of crossing fingers, the time to find out whether a work has received Scholastic recognition ultimately arrived and it was great news for



Acacia Kennedy was awarded the Silver Key Art Award for her Portrait of Maddie.

the twenty-three Pinkerton Academy students who have been recognized by the 2019 NH Scholastic Arts Awards.

The top award Gold Key recipients are senior Olivia Perog, sophomore Hannah Martinelli and freshman Tam-Giao Pham.

Silver Key awards were presented to seniors Haley Gelardi, Sophie Goodhue, Molly Hoppa, Roxanna Matei, Cynthia Mwaura, Olivia Pierog Tristan Soucy and Benjamin Zikmanis. Junior Silver Key recipients were Isabella Baker, Noelle Goyette, Acacia Kennedy, Alexa Larsen, Michael Nogaj and Nya Trudelle

and freshman Hedaya Badr.

Honorable Mention awards were given to seniors Olivia Pierog, Paolo Chinosi, Allison Croteau, Haley Gelardi, Sophie Goodhue, Brianna Haller, Valerie Higgins, Ashley Raiff, Tristan Soucy and Benjamin Zikmanis as well as junior Alexa Larsen and freshman Kaylee Manzik.

These Pinkerton Academy Students are in good company with alumni of the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards program that includes Ken Burns, Andy Warhol, Stephen King, Robert Redford, Truman Capote and hundreds more notable artists and writers.

## Pinkerton Academy Conducts K-9 Sweep as Part of Routine Safety Measures

On Monday, February 11 the Derry Police Department, in conjunction with the State Police, conducted an administrative search of

three buildings on Pinkerton Academy's campus. Two K-9 officers and four members of the Derry Police conducted the search

alongside Pinkerton administrators. The planned sweep used trained detective dogs to aid in identifying the presence of drugs,

alcohol, and related paraphernalia and was part of the school's larger safety and security efforts.

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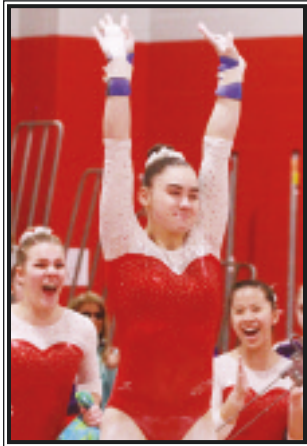


# Pinkerton Gymnastics Team Three-Peat's at State Meet

IDAN VINITSKY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

Coach Chelsie Burland took over the Pinkerton Academy Varsity Gymnastics team before the 2011 season and won the New Hampshire state title in her first two years, but was not able to get the three-peat. Then, on 2014 and 2015, the Astros won again and once more, missed the three-peat. So last Saturday, Feb. 9, when Burland and her girls celebrated the team's third straight state title, the coach was extremely happy.

Pinkerton hosted the State Meet and was able to finish strong after a their perfect regular season. The Astros finished the state meet with a team score of 139.25, to take the state title over Bedford (135.35) and the runner-ups for the last two years, rival Londonderry (129.725).



Isabella Scarpetti was the team's top scorer.

Pinkerton's best performance of the day came from Isabella Scarpetti, as the sophomore took second place in the All-Around competition with 36.375. Tara McGadden from Bedford won with 36.600. Astros' captain, Sophia Viger, finished sixth with 34.200, Ashley McKinnon was 38th (26.375), Zoe Demers 40th (25.900), Haley Rustad tied for 48th

(23.500), Emily Connors 53rd (23.075), Ashlee Loeffler 101st (16.500) and Anya Comeau 103rd (16.200).

Scarpetti was second to McGadden again, this time on Bars with 9.150, while Viger finished eighth (8.125) and Demers was tied for ninth (8.00). On Beam, it was once again McGadden ahead of Scarpetti (9.000), with Demers placing third (8.700). McKinnon was fourth on Vault (8.850), Scarpetti fifth (8.825), Viger sixth (8.800) and Loeffler ninth (8.650). On Floor, Scarpetti (9.400) finished second to Cameryn Nichols from Bishop Guertin. Demers was sixth overall (9.200), McKinnon seventh (9.175), Viger eighth (9.050) and Rustad ninth (9.000).

"It is very exciting. There was a little bit of a jinx with the three-peat so far and this is cool, to be

able to do that on home court", said coach Burland after the meet, "We lost on of our top seniors early in the season, but everyone came together, build off each other and stepped up to feel that void. Isabella was our rock. This is her first year as a high school gymnast. She is home schooled so the atmosphere was very different for her and a new experience. She really held it together with the screaming and everything. Sophia Viger, our captain, was our leader all season long". Scarpetti told the Nutfield News: "It was so much fun, definitely a great experience. You can feel all the energy here. I was not used to it."

The girls will now head to the New England Tournament next month in Hudson, Mass. to face some of the best teams in the north east.



Seniors Ashlee Loeffler, Anya Comeau, Audrey Hill and Emily Connors celebrate the three-peat after the awards ceremony on Saturday. Photos by Chris Paul



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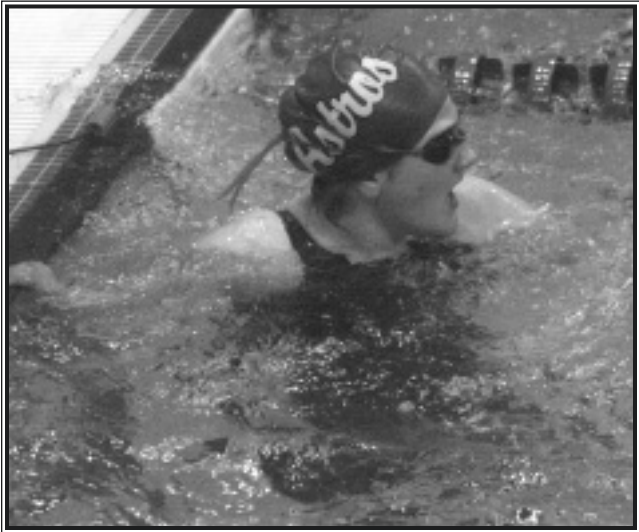
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Pinkerton Swimmers Finish Fourth, Sixth in State Meet



Camelia Hannah finished fourth in the girls' 50-yard Freestyle event with a time of 26.40.

IDAN VINITSKY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

The 2018-19 swimming season came to an end Saturday, Feb. 9 in the Swasey Pool at the University of New Hampshire, where the New Hampshire Interscholastic Athletic Association's State Meet was held in front some packed stands.

Pinkerton Academy's Varsity teams performed well, as the girls took the fourth place with 84 points, one over Dover, with Exeter High taking first with 321. The Astro boys scored 82 points and got sixth place overall, with the boys from Bishop Guertin winning with 321 points.

The Astros girls' 200-yard medley team finished in eighth (Campbell Kac-roix, Amanda Roberge, Meghan Knight and Kylie Winer - 2:07.75) and the boys' managed sixth (James Small, Christian Nelson, Gavin Divelbiss and William Poole - 1:54.27). Olivia Neville got seventh place in the 200-yard freestyle (2:05.43), while Camelia Hannah was 14th (2:12.84) and Winer 15th (2:12.96). Jackson Neeb finished seventh in the parallel boys' swim (1:57.03), Lucas Hakme Silva was 12th (2:06.81), Anderson Sharp 13th (2:09.34) and Tyler Montgomery 15th (2:10.68).

In the 200-yard individual medley, Roberge got the 12th place (2:27.84) for the

girls. Divelbiss was fifth among the boys (2:10.89) and Poole 11th (2:26.15). Hannah finished fourth in the girls' 50 yard freestyle (26.40), Maya Hedstrom was ninth (27.09) and Small took 15th in the boys' swim (26.02). In the 100-yard butterfly it was Neville with the tenth place (1:05.27) and Knight with the 16th (1:10.16), while Divelbiss finished ninth (58.07) and Sharp 17th (1:03.83).

Hedstrom (59.78) got the tenth place in the 100-yard freestyle and in the long 500 yard freestyle swim it was Roberge with the 12th place (5:56.90), Winer with the 16th (6:02.54) and Neeb placing sixth between the boys (5:15.87), while Hakme Silva came in 11th (5:42.02).

Pinkerton's girls' team of Neville, Knight, Hedstrom and Hannah finished fourth in the 200-yard freestyle relay (1:49.92). The boys team, Small, Hakme Silva, Nelson and Neeb, were seventh - 1:44.70. Poole got the ninth spot in the 100-yard backstroke (1:03.69), Nelson was 12th (1:05.34) and Small 14th (1:07.06). The long evening came to an



Gavin Divelbiss was one of the members of the 200-yard medley team that came in sixth place, in the 200-yard individual medley he was sixth.

Photos by Idan Vinitsky

end with the 400-yard freestyle relays. Neville, Roberge, Hedstrom and Hannah placed fourth (4:00.26), Neeb, Nelson, Poole and Divelbiss eighth (3:45.21).

Coach Ed Faszewski said shortly after the meet, "We wanted everybody to swim their best swim on this platform and we spoke

about it throughout the year. I would say we accomplished that in almost all of our swims today. We definitely peaked at the right time. I was happy with the way the season went. We integrated a lot of first year swimmers into the program and they were a part of this Championship Meet".

Athletes of the Week

Week of Feb. 4



Sophia Viger, Junior:  
Gymnastics

Sophia Viger came back from a broken foot suffered pre season, to compete on vault for the first time this season. She landed her vault when it counted most. She took home sixth on vault and placed sixth All-Around, making it the third year in a row placing in the top six in the All-Around State Meet.



Kylie Winer, Freshman:  
Girls Swimming

Kylie recorded personal bests in 200 meter Freestyle and 500 meter Freestyle and anchored a key medley relay to start the State Meet off.

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# Pinkerton Girls Basketball Team Extend Winning Streak

IDAN VINITSKY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

It wasn't easy, at all, and it took an amazing fourth quarter, but Pinkerton Academy's Girls' Basketball team was able to dig deep last Thursday, Feb. 7, to pick up a huge home win over Manchester Memorial and extend their winning streak to five games.

The Crusaders played much better than the local Lady Astros in the first half, and finished the first 16 minutes strong, to take a 37-28 lead into the break.

Things did not look much better for Pinkerton at the opening minutes of the third quarter and Memorial's lead grew all the way to 16 points, but facing only their second loss of the season, Lani Buskey's players found a way to change the game.

Pinkerton's built a defensive wall to stop Memorial, only allowing two points over the last 11 minutes of the game. The Astros came charging back the last quarter by a 17-2 tally and finish the game with a 58-50 win. Brooke Kane had another outstanding offensive game

with 28 points followed by Jesse Ames scoring 12. Madison Mahoney finished with nine, Megan King with five and Avah Ingalls and Allison Ingalls scored two points each.

Two days before that comeback game, the Astros had a much easier 58-38 home win over Windham High School. They trailed 14-13 after one quarter, but were able to take control of the game from there on, leading 26-23 at the half and making their run in the third quarter (16-6). Kane was the leader again, with 32 points.

Mahoney had 14, King scored seven, Jesse Ames three and Ava Ingalls two points.

Pinkerton is now 13-1 and the girls were scheduled to host their fourth straight game on Tuesday, Feb. 12, against the Bedford Bulldogs (12-2), but snow pushed that game to Wednesday.

They will travel to Merrimack High School (9-6) on Thursday, Feb. 14 to play the Tomahawks. Their regular season regular season will conclude with two more games next week.



Brooke Kane had 60 points in two games last week to help her team with two more wins.

## Astros Girls Hockey Squad Wins Third Game in a Row

IDAN VINITSKY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy's Girls Varsity Ice Hockey team continued its "winning streak" and secured a spot in the playoffs last week. The first-year Astros team won its only

game last week, a 5-3 home victory over Bedford High School on Saturday, Feb. 9, and improved their season record to 5-7. The Lady Astros are now on a three game winning streak and are getting closer to their very first Division I tournament game.

Opposite of their previous meet, just a couple of weeks ago at St. Anselm, this time Bedford was the one to play much better in the first period and the Bulldogs had a 3-1 lead after 15 minutes. But it was all Pinkerton for the next two periods. Scott Dunn's team

scored twice in the second period and completed the come from behind win with two more goals in the last four minutes of the game.

Jordyn Wasiejko added two more goals to her excellent season and Molly Fahey also had two goals. Spencer St. Pierre scored once.

The Pinkerton girls were scheduled to visit Bishop Guertin (6-8) for an important game on Tuesday, Feb. 12, after Nutfield News went to press, but snow cancelled that game. The BG game will be made up on Saturday, Feb. 16 at 8:30 p.m. at Skate Three in Tyngsboro Mass. The team will play at Keene on Thursday, Feb. 14, puck drops at 3 p.m.



Jordyn Wasiejko continues to be the Astro girls team's biggest offensive threat, as she tallied two more goals last week.  
Photo by Chris Paul

## Pinkerton's Bowlers Finish Third in Season Finale

IDAN VINITSKY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

Pinkerton Academy's Varsity Bowling team made the cut and will compete in this year's NHIAA Division I Bowling Team Championships on Saturday, Feb. 16, starting at 10 a.m. at Strikers East, in Raymond.

The Astros traveled to Spare Time in Manchester last Saturday, where they finished third in the final meet of the season. They took the third seed for the baker rounds with a standard ten pin total of 1,453 (games of 675 and 778). Captain Jason Barton rolled games of 135 and 187, Matt

Gagnon 112 and 135, Bryant Nourse 165 and 137, Lance Lemieux 152 and 165, Colby Wong 111 and 154 and roster member Captain Meghan Slater 118 and 114.

Keene was first with 1941, Stevens second with 1660, Hillsboro-Deering fourth with 1222 and Winnacunnet fifth with 1102. Pinkerton lost in two games to Stevens in round 1: 140 to 167 and 152 to 155, despite a big comeback. The Astros faced Hillsboro-Deering in round 2, winning two out of three games: 152 to 109, 111 to 144 and 214 to 154. Pinkerton Varsity earned six points for the day.

Astros JV totaled 1233 for the standard two games, earning third seed with games of 623 and 610. Mike Fiandaca shot 144 and 86, Mike Barnard 116 and 133, Jarod Wong consistent games of 139 and 140, Courtney Crivello 91 and 80, Connor Grimard 133 and a nice career high of 171 and roster member Memphis Kirkland 102 and 76. They then faced Keene, losing in two games in round 1: 124 to 143 and 136 to 158. The Astros won two out of three against Winnacunnet round 2: 111 to 94, 92 to 132 and 142 to 94. JV finished in third place.

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# Struggles Continue for the Pinkerton Boys Basketball Team



Sophomore guard Donald MacDonald had 13 points for Pinkerton at the teams game against Manchester Memorial last week.

Photo by Chris Paul

IDAN VINITSKY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Astro Boys' Varsity Basketball team's struggles continued last week. A couple more losses brought the team's record to an unbearable 1-11, with the season finale less than three weeks away.

On Tuesday, Feb. 5, the Astros lost a close road game to Windham, 42-34. Jay Reynolds had a team high for Pinkerton, scoring 14 points. Brady Day had eight points, five of them coming in the last quarter, where Pinkerton fought to stay in the game. Other scorers were Aidan Conroy and Nick Lombard with three points each, and Nazair DaBreo, Andrew Bolduc and Michael Packowski, with two points each.

Three days later, Peter Rosinski's roster lost 62-45 on the road against

Manchester Memorial. The Astros were close after one quarter, trailing by only one point (11-10). They were down by six at the half (27-21) and a 17-16 third quarter brought them to the last eight minutes with a good chance to win the game, but there, everything fell apart

and a 19-7 Memorial quarter saw the opposition celebrating their second win of the season.

Reynolds scored 20 in this one, Donald MacDonald had 13 points, Day finished with three, James Flynn, Lombard, Bolduc and Packowski scored two

points each and Mike Riccio one.

The game scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 12, against Bedford High School (8-4) was rescheled to Wednesday Feb. 13. They will host Merrimack (2-10) on Friday, Feb. 15, with the tip off at 6:30 p.m.

## PA Wrestlers Victorious in Season's Final Dual Meet

IDAN VINITSKY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

The Pinkerton Academy's Varsity Wrestling team finished their regular season on an extremely high note, with a 69-12 home win over Exeter Thursday, Feb. 7. The meet had to be postponed from Wednesday, but that did not change a lot for

the Astros, who will arrive full of confidence to the Division I Championship meet Saturday, Feb. 16, at Londonderry High School.

After two wins by forfeit (106 and 113 lbs.), Nathan Lindquist (120) and Walker Stinson (126) managed to pin their opponents. The Astros got six more points for a 132 lbs forfeit and for a

Marcus Sconza (138) win by fall. Michael Savvas (145) lost his match and Tyler MacKiernan (152) and Jack MacKiernan (160) easily won theirs. Robert Morin (170) suffered Pinkerton second loss of the evening, before Sterling McLaughlin (182) and Kyle Setzer (195) put the final touches on the win with two quick pins.

## Astro Girls Ski Team Takes Fifth in State Meet Monday

IDAN VINITSKY  
NUTFIELD NEWS

The PA girls' Alpine Skiing season came to a close on Monday, Feb. 11, with the State Meet, which was held at Mount Sunapee. There were 99 girls from 17 schools battled for the title at the event and the Pinkerton Academy's Varsity team finished fifth overall, with 639 points, 52 more than sixth place Londonderry. Bedford was crowned state champions with 766 points.

The Astros day began with the fourth place in the Giant Slalom. Katelyn Bennet led the team with the seventh place and captain

Danielle Martineau was ninth. Emily Gardner took the 16th place and Elizabeth Veale was fourth for the team and 49th overall. Annabel Veale took a tumble in the first run, recovered and finished 87th and captain Hannah Peterson fell with only three gates left and had to be helped off the course after tweaking her knee. Thanks to their Giant Slalom results, Martineau and Bennett have qualified for the Meet of Champions, where the top ten competitors will race.

The second part of the day was the Slalom, where Pinkerton finished fifth.

Martineau had some problems with the firm and slick course, which made many competitors fall, but was still able to lead the team with the 11th place in her last high school race. Elizabeth Veale finished 28th and her sister Annabel Veale was right behind her at 29th. Gardner got the 32nd spot and Bennet came in the 50th place. Freshman Maddie Frank finished 57th.

The boys' State Meet was originally scheduled for Tuesday (Feb. 12), but was postponed due to the weather and will take place this Friday (Feb. 15, 10 a.m.) at Mount Sunapee.

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## Candidates Forum

The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) at 18 Railroad Avenue here in Derry will be hosting candidate forums for the town council and school board candidates. The town council forum will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Feb. 20, with the school board forum beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Feb. 21. This is an opportunity for citizens to ask questions directly of the candidates to learn what their vision is for the town and school district. The public is invited and encouraged to attend. Doors open at 6 p.m.

## Voter Checklist Session

On Saturday, March 2, from 11 - 11:30 a.m. at Derry Municipal Center The Supervisors of the Checklist will meet in session to: register new voters & receive name, address, & party changes from voters, approve applications for voter registration, and approve changes to the voter checklist. After this meeting of the Supervisors, the voter checklist will be closed until election day. Please note: Residents can register to vote at the polls on election day, March 12. Residents can also complete applications to register or to change their registrations with the Town Clerk during regular office hours through March 2. Voters can check their registrations on the voter checklist in the Public Research Room on the first floor of the Municipal Center or at the Derry Public Library or online at [app.sos.nh.gov](http://app.sos.nh.gov).

## Evolve!

A group for young woman ages 13 to 18 to talk about today's challenges meets every Wednesday from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. This is a free weekly group. To register, Call 437-8477 to register ext. 16.

## Renew

Renew will be open Saturday, March 9, from 8 - 10:30 a.m. at Calvary Bible Church, 145 Hampstead Rd.,

Derry. Arrive by 10 a.m. Renew will also be open every Thursday 9 - 11:30 a.m., please arrive by 11am. NH residents only. Renew offers free, gently-used apparel. Each household is limited to 15 of the newest items, plus a reasonable number of older items. Enter at the church marquee sign. Donations of good condition, modern clothing may be placed in the donations bin by the door at any time. No donations of money are asked or accepted. For details, search for "Renew Derry" on Facebook, email [renewcalvary@gmail.com](mailto:renewcalvary@gmail.com) or call the church secretary at 434-1516.

## Transitions Young Adult Strategies

A new group where young adults can talk about things that are challenging meets every Thursday from 6 - 7 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. This is a free weekly group. Drop ins welcome. Call 437-8477 to register ext. 24 for more information/options for dates and times.

## Vaping Deterrent Workshop

Do you know someone who is looking to give up vaping? This workshop will show teens how to break the habit and replace it with healthier options. On Thursday, Feb. 7, from 2:30 - 4 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. Participants will gain strength by being with other people also trying to quit. This event costs \$25. Call 437-8477 to register, ext. 15. Will also be held March 7, April 4, May 2, and June 6.

## UR Parents

A weekly Resource group for parents, grandparents and caregivers raising teens meets every Thursday, from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. This is a free weekly group. Drop ins welcome.

## Co-Parenting Workshop

A workshop series for co-parenting after divorce or sepa-

ration will be held on March 11, 18, 25 and April 1, from 5:30 - 7 p.m., at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. Learn how to protect your child's well-being by keeping the children out of the middle, allowing children to love both parents, and working on communication and recovery. This workshop costs \$50 (book included) scholarships available. Call 437-8477 to register, ext. 22.

## Teen Information for Parenting Success

A weekly support program for young parents ages 13 to 23 will meet every Wednesday, from 5 - 7 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry. This is a free weekly group. Childcare available. Call 437-8477 to register, ext. 12.

## Play with a Purpose

This workshop is for early childhood educators in their programs, and how to help parents understand the importance of play skills; and how to play with their children. It will be held on Feb. 21, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at the Upper Room, 36 Tsienneto, Rd. Derry.

## The Day it Rained Hearts

A Free Family Event; on Feb. 15, from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. at the Derry Public Library. Drop in and connect with other caregivers and their children ages 0-6. No registration necessary. The event will include; Make a Valentine (for your favorite pet or person), a reading of The Day it Rained Hearts, by Felicia Bond, Parenting tips and resources, Snacks & juice and a Special Furry Guest Pele the DOG will be available for children to pet and play with (optional).

## MacGregor Poetry Contest

It is time again for the (2nd) annual MacGregor Poetry Contest. Last year there were almost 200 entries! We are hoping to get the word out about the contest to all the poets and wannabe poets in our community. There is a \$250

cash prize for the winning poem, generously provided by the Frost Farm Trustees. The judges include Bob Crawford, Poet Laureate of Derry, and staff members of the Derry Public Library. Guidelines: Submit up to 2 poems, no more than 2 pages each. No restrictions as to form or subject. Please do NOT put your name on poem - all poems are judged anonymously. No Google Docs, please! Do not enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope with your entry. Entries are not returnable. Submissions accepted until March 15. Contest results will be announced in April 2019. Winners will be contacted by phone or email. Entries may be submitted via: email [macgregorpoetrycontest@derrypl.org](mailto:macgregorpoetrycontest@derrypl.org) Mailed to; Derry Public Library Poetry Contest, 64 E Broadway, Derry NH 03038. Drop it off at the library.

## Theatre Tryouts

Ovation theatre company is extremely excited to announce its first production, Les Misérables - School Edition, which will be presented May 24-26 at Granite State Arts Academy in Salem. While rehearsals won't start until late March, auditions are very soon on Feb. 16; interested students in grades 7-12 can sign up at [www.OvationTC.com](http://www.OvationTC.com). For more information contact Meg Gore can be reached at [OvationTC@gmail.com](mailto:OvationTC@gmail.com) or 603-932-3232.

## Youth Free Throw

All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 are invited to participate in the district level of Youth Free Throw competition for the 2019 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. The competition will be held Saturday, Feb. 23 from 1:30 - 4 p.m. (registration begins at 12:30 p.m.) at St. Thomas Aquinas Center Gymnasium in Derry, NH. You must register between 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. to participate. No registrations will be accepted after 1:30 p.m. The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually, with winners progressing to the state competition. All boys and girls 9 to 14 years old are eligible to participate and will compete in their respective age divisions. All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation in the event. Participants are required to furnish a birth

certificate as proof of age and written parental consent. This event is sponsored by Local Knights of Columbus Councils from St. Mark, St. Thomas, St. Jude and St. Peter.

## Theatre Talks

Theatre KAPOW will host the first of a new series of talks in advance of their theatrical productions. Theatre KAPOW's production of Shipwrecked! An Entertainment runs Feb. 22 - March 2 at the Derry Opera House. For more information, visit [www.tkpow.com](http://www.tkpow.com)

## Aviation Museum

The Aviation Museum will host the following events. Saturday, March 9, at 11 a.m. Bernice Blake, 90 Years Later. In 1929, a spirited young lady became N.H.'s first licensed female pilot right here at Manchester Airport. Join local author Ed Brouder for a review of her career. Saturday, April 13 Family fun! Our Easter celebration at the Aviation Museum. Thursday, May 16 'The Flying Fleet' silent film/live music at the Aviation Museum. Saturday, June 8 Welcome summer with our Nashua BBQ Fly-In at Nashua Airport. Saturday, July 13 Wheels and Wings! Our annual Car Show at the Aviation Museum. Saturday, Aug. 17 Homebuilt Fly-in at the Aviation Museum. Spectators welcome! Saturday, Sept. 21 Our Annual Fund-Raising Gala. Details coming soon! The Museum is located at 27 Navigator Rd., Londonderry. The museum's regular hours of operation are Friday & Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Sunday 1 - 4 p.m. For more information, call (603) 669-4280 or visit the museum's Web site at [www.aviationmuseumofnh.org](http://www.aviationmuseumofnh.org).

## Women's Writing Group

Derry Women's Creative writing group meets the second and fourth Thursdays of every month at the Derry public Library at 6:30 p.m.

## Lenten Fish Fry

The Knights of Columbus council 3023 of St. Thomas Aquinas in Derry, will be holding their 10th annual Lenten Fish Fry beginning on Friday March 8, and continuing on each Friday until April 12. We will be serving dinner from 5 to 7 p.m. at the St. Thomas

Aquinas Center, 26 Crystal Avenue in Derry. Dinner includes a fried haddock fish fillet, french fries, cole slaw, tartar sauce and a roll for \$9.50. The children's dinner includes fish sticks, or mac and cheese, with french fries for \$3.50. Take out dinners are also available. For more information contact [stevell-hom@aol.com](mailto:stevell-hom@aol.com).

## National Model Railroading

Seacoast Division of the National Model Railroad Association is running their Fun Night program. The program is held the second Friday night of each month, 7 - 9 p.m., at the Marion Garish Community Center, 39 West Broadway, Derry. Using Molds to make resin parts Rich Breton will be on hand to show examples of various molds, including two part molds, and will spend in time with an interactive discussion and a show and tell type format. Mold making/casting is a way to get small detail parts not otherwise available. Always a part of the program is Model Showcase where modelers bring in the latest project they are working on to show and discuss. We will set up a swap table so bring anything that you would want to give away, sell or swap. Remember, one man's junk is another man's treasure. If you are interested in model trains and would like to join other like-minded hobbyists from beginner to expert for a fun evening program come to Derry Fun Night the second Friday of each month. For additional information go to the Division's website at [seacoastnmra.org/calendar](http://seacoastnmra.org/calendar).

## Greater Manchester Lyme Disease Support Group

Hosted by David Hunter this group meets on the third Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at the: Bedford Presbyterian Church 4 Church Road Bedford. For more information call 660-3425 or email [dhunter31@gmail.com](mailto:dhunter31@gmail.com)

## Story Hour with a Craft

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